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SUBJECT: UN CONFERENCE ON REPRESENTATION OF STATES

REF: VIENNA 1602

1. WE APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS TO FIND SOME COMPROMISE POSITION ON THE NLM QUESTION WHICH MIGHT DEFUSE THE ISSUE FOR THE TIME BEING. HOWEVER, WE DO NOT THINK THAT REFERENCE OF MATTER TO 30TH UNGA OR ILC IS AN ACCEPTABLE OUTCOME FROM U.S. POINT OF VIEW.

2. ANY RESOLUTION CALLING FOR CONSIDERATION OF QUESTION OF P & I FOR NLMS (OR SOME EQUIVALENT FORMULA) IS PREJUDICIAL TO U.S. POSITION THAT NLMS SHOULD NOT ENJOY SPECIAL STATUS REGARDING P & I. REFERENCE OF SUCH A RESOLUTION TO UNGA WOULD THRUST HIGHLY CONTENTIOUS ISSUE ONTO ITS AGENDA WHICH WOULD DISRUPT WORK OF 6TH COMMITTEE AND UNDOUBTEDLY RESULT IN WELL-PUBLICIZED DEFEAT FOR U.S. POSITION.
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TIONS. REFERENCE TO ILC, THOUGH PROBABLY LESS LIKELY TO

CAUSE SUCH HIGHLY PUBLICIZED DEFEAT, WOULD STILL INTRODUCE
EXTREMELY POLITICIZED ITEM ONTO ILC AGENDA TO SERIOUS
DETRIMENT OF ITS OTHER SUBSTANTIVE WORK.

3. FORMULA CALLING FOR CONSIDERATION OF BROADER QUESTION
OF RELATIONSHIP OF NON-STATE OBSERVERS AND INVITEES TO IOS
WOULD BE LESS OBJECTIONABLE. EVEN THIS, HOWEVER, WOULD

INEVITABLY TURN INTO POLITICIZED DEBATE ON NLM QUESTION,
AND ITS CONSIDERATION BY UNGA OR ILC WOULD HAVE ESSEN-
Tially SAME ADVERSE RESULTS.

4. WE REALIZE THAT IT MAY BE DIFFICULT TO PREVENT THIS
CONFERENCE FROM ADOPTING SOME FORM OF NLM RESOLUTION.
NONETHELESS, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THE U.S. CAN AGREE TO
ANY OF ALTERNATIVES SUGGESTED IN REFTEL, AND WE SEE NO
CHOICE BUT TO OPPOSE EGYPTIAN PROPOSALS IN ACCORDANCE
WITH EARLIER DEPT INSTRUCTIONS. WE SUGGEST THAT YOU DO
ALL YOU CAN TO CONVINCE WEOS, LATINS AND OTHER SYMPA-
THETIC DELS THAT THIS ISSUE IS IRRELEVANT TO MANDATE OF
CONFERENCE, AND THAT ATTEMPT TO PRESS IT CAN ONLY RESULT
IN SERIOUS DISRUPTION OF CONFERENCE WORK. KISSINGER

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